

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

RECOGNIZING ROBIN LEA HUTTON

HON. JULIA BROWNLEY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 24, 2014

Ms. BROWNLEY of California. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to recognize Robin Lea Hutton, President of Angels Without Wings, Inc., a non-profit corporation dedicated to giving relief to the poor, the distressed and underprivileged, and honoring those people and groups who help others in need.

It is through her leadership and vision that Angels Without Wings has spearheaded the development and dedication of a national memorial monument to the remarkable Korean War hero horse, Sgt. Reckless. This memorial serves to honor all animals that have served our country in times of war—whether as mascots for our servicemembers, or ammunitions carriers, like Sgt. Reckless.

Ms. Hutton has also brought further recognition to these animals by authoring Sgt. Reckless: America's War Horse. This book tells the incredible story of Reckless, who is listed in Life Magazine's "Celebrate our Heroes," as one of our all-time great heroes and whose antics make her a revered part of the history and lore of the United States Marine Corps.

For her patriotic service and exceptional work, Ms. Hutton is being bestowed with the Patriotic Citizen of the Year award and will receive the Silver Patrick Henry medal from the Conejo Valley Chapter of the Military Order of the World Wars.

It is my honor to offer my sincere congratulations to Ms. Hutton on this special occasion and to thank her for her dedication to telling the story of America's war horse.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. J. RANDY FORBES

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 24, 2014

Mr. FORBES. Mr. Speaker, on June 23, 2014, I was unavoidably absent from the House due to a family emergency involving my elderly mother, and missed rollcall votes. Had I been present, I would have voted as follows: roll 339; "aye"; roll 340; "aye."

CONGRATULATING DR. DAVID M. PAIGE

HON. JOHN P. SARBANES

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 24, 2014

Mr. SARBANES. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and congratulate Dr. David M. Paige for his more than forty years of dedication to patients, students and public health in Mary-

land and across the country. David is a Professor of Population, Family and Reproductive Health with joint appointments in International Health and Human Nutrition at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health and in Pediatrics at the Johns Hopkins School of Medicine. He is a member of the Maryland State WIC Advisory Panel and the Director of the Johns Hopkins WIC Program.

Through his work as a physician, researcher and professor, David has made indelible marks on the state of public health in this nation. In response to a crisis of malnourishment among low-income infants and pregnant women in Baltimore in the 1960s, David created a voucher system for food assistance that served as the prototype for the federal Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children. This program provides essential food assistance to almost 9 million individuals each month and more than 143,000 people in Maryland alone. David remains a vigilant defender of this critical program and has testified more than 20 times before House and Senate committees.

David has also produced significant research on the increasing prevalence of lactose intolerance in children and young adults. His findings have had far-reaching effects on the availability of lactose free foods and prenatal nutrition for lactose-intolerant mothers. He is also the recipient of numerous awards, including the March of Dimes National Agnes Higgins Award for Distinguished Achievement in Maternal-Fetal Nutrition.

On a personal note, it has been my privilege to know David for over twenty years and to benefit from his passionate advocacy on issues of public health. At all times, David's service to his profession and to the broader community have been characterized by a generosity of spirit and a selfless dedication to improving the lives of those too often left behind. I am proud to call David my friend and I commend the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health for recognizing David's long and distinguished record of accomplishment. This tribute could not go to a more deserving person.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. MARTHA ROBY

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 24, 2014

Mrs. ROBY. Mr. Speaker, on Monday, June 23, 2014, I was absent because of travel delays due to weather related activities.

If I had been present, I would have voted the following on June 23, 2014:

Rollcall 339 on the motion to suspend the rules and pass, S. 1044, the World War II Memorial Prayer Act, I would have voted "aye."

Rollcall 340 on the motion to suspend the rules and concur to the Senate amendment, H.R. 316, the Collinsville Renewable Energy Production Act, I would have voted "aye."

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. GREGG HARPER

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 24, 2014

Mr. HARPER. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 294, I inadvertently voted "yea," I intended to vote "nay."

RECOGNIZING THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF MICHAEL FARMER

HON. ALAN GRAYSON

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 24, 2014

Mr. GRAYSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBT) Pride Month, to recognize Michael Farmer.

Michael Farmer began his advocacy at the young age of 17. He and a group of friends started a Gay-Straight Alliance (GSA) at Apopka High School, a conservative part of Central Florida. While attending Valencia Community College, Michael served as the Valencia College Campus Organizer for the Fairness For All Families (FFAF) Campaign. This campaign aimed to defeat a constitutional amendment to ban marriage equality and civil unions in Florida. He went on to serve as the Orlando Area Field Organizer for FFAF.

In 2009, Michael joined the staff of Equality Florida (EQFL) as the organization's Safe Schools Policy and GSA Network Coordinator. As Equality Florida's GSA Network Coordinator, Michael trained hundreds of students and teachers across the state on best practices for making schools safe for LGBT youth.

From 2010 to 2012, Michael served as EQFL's Statewide Field Coordinator. In this role, Michael helped to increase the organization's pro-equality voter file by more than 20,000 voters. Additionally, he raised EQFL's profile at community events and mobilized members and pro-equality voters to support pro-equality and openly LGBT candidates.

In 2013, Michael transitioned into the role of Statewide Field Director. As Statewide Field Director, Michael led EQFL's field staff on programs related to voter education and mobilization, and increased EQFL's member engagement.

Currently, Michael serves as Equality Florida's Director of Development for Central and North Florida. In this capacity, he leads EQFL's development programs and staff in Orlando, Sarasota, Jacksonville and Tallahassee. Since 2012, Michael and his teams across the state have raised over one million dollars in the pursuit of LGBT equality in Florida.

Through his work at Equality Florida, Michael has been able to play a leadership role in changing the policy landscape for the LGBT community in Florida. Michael also played an

• This "bullet" symbol identifies statements or insertions which are not spoken by a Member of the Senate on the floor.

Matter set in this typeface indicates words inserted or appended, rather than spoken, by a Member of the House on the floor.